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A SET OF ROGUES

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CHAPTER XXI.

"Tell me I am wicked. Tell me I'm a fool," says Moll, clinging to my arm.

But I had no feeling now but pity and forgiveness, and so could only try to comfort her, saying we would make amends to Dario when we saw him next.

"I will go to him," says she. "For naught in the world would I have him yield to such a heartless fool as I am. I know where he lodges."

"Well, when we have eaten"—

"Nay. We must go this moment. I cannot be at peace till I have asked him to forgive. Come with me, or I must go alone."

Yielding to her desire without further ado, I fetched my hat and cloak, and she doing likewise we sallied out forthwith. Taking the side path by which Dario came and went habitually, we reached a little wicket gate, opening from the path upon the highway; and here, seeing a man mending the road, we asked him where we should find Anne Fitch, as she was called with whom the painter lodged. Pointing to a neat cottage that stood by the wayside, within a stone's throw, he told us the "wise woman" lived there. We crossed over and knocked at the door, and a voice within bidding us come in we did so.

There was a very sweet, pleasant smell in the room from the herbs that hung in little parcels from the beams, for this Anne Fitch was greatly skilled in the use of simples, and had no equal for curing fevers and the like in all the country road. But, besides this it was said she could look into the future and forecast events truer than any Egyptian. There was a chair by the table, on which were an empty bowl and some broken bread, but the wise woman sat in the chimney corner, bending over the hearth, though the fire had burned out, and not an ember glowed. And a strange little elf she looked, being very wizen and small, with one shoulder higher than the other, and a face full of pain.

When I told her our business—for Moll was too greatly moved to speak—the old woman pointed to the adjoining room.

"He is gone!" cries Moll, going to the open door and peering within.

"Yes," answers Anne Fitch. "Alas!"

"When did he go?" asks Moll.

"An hour since," answers the other.

"Whither is he gone?"

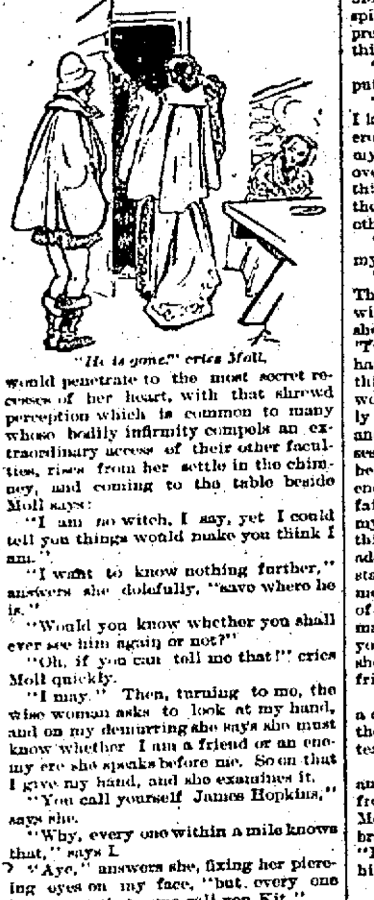
"I am no witch."

"At least you know which way he went."

"I have not stirred from here since I gave him his last meal."

Moll sank into the empty chair and bowed her head in silence.

Anne Fitch, whose keen eyes had never strayed from Moll since she first entered the room, seeming as if they would penetrate to the most secret recesses of her heart, with that shrewd perception which is common to many whose bodily infirmity compels an extraordinary access of their other faculties, rises from her settle in the chimney, and coming to the table beside Moll says:



"He is gone!" cries Moll.

"I am no witch, I say, yet I could tell you things would make you think I am."

"I want to know nothing further," answers she dolefully, "save where he is."

"Would you know whether you shall ever see him again or not?"

"Oh, if you can tell me that!" cries Moll quickly.

"I may." Then, turning to me, the wise woman asks to look at my hand, and on my demurring she says she must know whether I am a friend or an enemy ere she speaks before me. So on that I give my hand, and she examines it.

"You call yourself James Hopkins," says she.

"Why, every one within a mile knows that," says I.

"Aye," answers she, fixing her piercing eyes on my face, "but every one knows not that some call you Kit."

This fairly staggered me for a moment.

"How do you answer that?" she asks, observing my confusion.

"Why," says I, recovering my presence of mind, "'tis most extraordinary, to be sure, that you should read this, for save one or two families none know that my second name is Christopher."

"A fairly honest hand," says she, looking at my hand again. "Weak in some things, but a faithful friend. You may be trusted."

And so she drops my hand and takes up Moll's.

"'Tis strange," says she. "You call yourself Judith, yet here I see your name writ Moll."

Poor Moll, sick with a night of sorrow and terrified by the wise woman's divining powers, could make no answer, but soon Fitch, taking less heed of her tremble than of mine, regards her hand again.

"How were you called in Barbary?" asks she.

This question, betraying a flaw in the wise woman's perception, gave Moll courage, and she answered readily enough that she was called "Lala Mollah"—which was true, "Lala" being the Moorish for lady, and "Mollah" the name her friends in Elche had called her as being more agreeable to their ear than the shorter English name.

"Mollah—Moll!" says Anne Fitch as if communing with herself. "That may well be." Then, following a line in Moll's hand, she adds, "You will love but once, child."

"What is my sweetheart's name?" whispers Moll, the color springing in her face.

"You have not heard it yet," replies the other, upon which Moll pulls her hand away impatiently. "But you have seen him," continues the wise woman, "and his is the third hand in which I have read another name."

"Tell me now if I shall see him again," cries Moll eagerly, offering her hand again and as quickly as she had before withdrawn it.

"That depends upon yourself," returns the other. "The line is a deep one. Would you give him all you have?"

Moll bends her head low in silence, to conceal her hot face.

"'Tis nothing to be ashamed of," says the old woman in a strangely gentle tone. "'Tis better to love once than often, better to give your whole heart than part. Were I young and handsome and rich I would give body and soul for such a man, for he is good and generous and exceedingly kind. Look you, he hath lived here but a few weeks, and I feel for him, grieve for him, like a mother. Oh, I am no witch," adds she, wiping a tear from her cheek, "only a crooked old woman with the gift of seeing what is open to all who will read and a heart that quickens still at a kind word or a gentle thought." Moll's hand had closed upon hers at that first sight of her grief. "For your names," continues she, recovering her composure, "I learned from one of your maids who came hither for news of her sweetheart that the sea captain who was with you did sometimes let them slip. I was paid to learn this."

"Not by him," says Moll.

"No; by your steward, Simon."

"He paid for that?" says I, incredulous, knowing Simon's reluctance to spend money.

"Aye, and a good price too. It seems you call heavily upon him for money and do threaten to cut up your estate and sell the land he prizes as his life."

"That is quite true," says I.

"Moreover, he greatly fears that he will be cast from his office when your title to it is made good. For that reason he would move heaven and earth to stay your succession by casting doubts upon your claim, and to this end he has by all the means at his command tried to provoke your cousin to contest your right."

"My cousin?" cries Moll.

"Richard Godwin."

"My cousin Richard. Why, where is he?"

"Gone," says the old woman, pointing to the broken bread upon the table.

CHAPTER XXII.

"What!" cries Moll starting to her feet. "He whom I have treated thus is"— And here she checked herself as if recoiling, and for the first time from false pretense in a matter so near the heart.

"He is your cousin, Richard Godwin," says the wise woman. "Simon knew this from the first, for there were letters showing it in the pocketbook he found after the struggle in the park, but for his own ends he kept that knowledge secret until it fitted his ends to speak. Why your cousin did not reveal himself to you may be more readily concluded by you than 'twas by me."

"Why, 'tis clear enough," says Moll. "Pressed by his necessities, he came hither to claim assistance of his kinsman, but finding he was dead and none here but me his pride did shrink from begging of a mere girl that which he might with justice have demanded from a man. And then, for shame at being handled like a rogue"—

"Surely there is something in the blood of a gentleman that tempers his spirit to a height scarcely to be comprehended by men of meaner birth," thinks I.

"When did Simon urge him to dispute my rights?" asks Moll.

"On Sunday—in the wood out there. I knew by his look he had some treacherous business in hand, and matching my stalk with his I found means to overhear him, creeping from thicket to thicket, as noiseless as a snake, to where they stood, for, be assured, I should not otherwise have learned one word of this."

"How did he receive these hints at my ill doing?" asks Moll.

"Patiently till the tale was told. Then, taking your steward by the throat with sudden passion, he cries: 'Why should I not strangle you, rascal? 'Twould be a service to humanity. What have I done to deserve your love or this lady your hatred? Nothing. You would pit us one against the other merely to keep your hold upon those lands and gratify your insensate love of possession. Go, get you gone, beast!' cries he, flinging him off. ''Tis punishment enough for you to live and know you've failed, for had you proved your case to my conviction I'd not stir a hand against this lady, be she who she may. Nay,' adds he, with greater fury, 'I will not stay where my loyalty and better judgment may be affected by the contagion of a vile suspicion. Away while you may. My fingers itch to be revenged on you for sundering me from one who should have been my closest, dearest friend!'"

Moll clasps her hands together with a cry of joy and pain mingled, even as the smile played upon her lips while tears filled her eyes.

"Sunday," cries she, turning to me and dashing the tears that blinded her from her eyes. "Sunday, and 'twas o' Monday he refused to stay. Oh, the brave heart!" Then in impetuous haste: "He shall be found. We must overtake him."

"That may be done if you take horse," says Anne Fitch, "for he travels afoot."

"But which way shall we turn?"

"The way that any man would take, seeking to dispel a useless sorrow," answers the wise woman, "the way to London."

"God bless you!" cries Moll, clasping the withered old woman to her heaving breast and kissing her. Then the next moment she would be gone, bidding me get horses for our pursuit.

So, as quickly as I might, I procured a couple of nags, and we set out, leaving a message for Don Sanchez, who was not yet astir. And we should have gone empty but that while the horses were a-preparing, and Moll, despite her mighty haste at this business, too, I took the precaution to put some store of victuals in a saddlebag.

Reckoning that Mr. Godwin, as I must call him, had been set out two hours or thereabouts, I considered that we might overtake him in about three at an easy amble. But Moll was in no mood for ambling, and no sooner were we started than she put her nag to a gallop and kept up this reckless pace up hill and down dale, I sailing behind and expecting every minute to be cut and get my neck broke, until her horse was spent and would answer no more to the whip. Then I begged her for mercy's sake to take the hill we were coming to and walk, and break her fast. "For," says I, "another such half hour as the last on an empty stomach will do my business, and you will have another dead man to bring back to life, which will advance your journey nothing and so more haste, less speed." Therewith I opened my saddlebag, and sharing its contents we ate a rare good meal and very merry, and indeed it was a pleasure now to look at her as great as the pain had been to see her so unhappy a few hours before. For the exercise had brought a flood of rich color into her face, and a lively hope sparkled in her eyes, and the sound of her voice was like any peal of marriage bells for gayety. Yet now and then her tongue would falter, and she would strain a wistful glance along the road before us as fearing she did hope too much. However, coming to an inn, we made inquiry and learned that a man such as we described had surely passed the house barely an hour gone, and one adding that he carried a basket on his stick we felt this must be our painter for certain.

Thence on again at another tear, as if we were flying from our reckoning, until, turning a bend of the road at the foot of a hill, she suddenly drew rein with a shrill cry, and coming up I perceived close by our side Mr. Godwin, seated upon the bridge that crossed a stream, with his wallet beside him.

He sprang to his feet and caught in an instant the rein that had fallen from Moll's hand, for the commotion in her heart at seeing him so suddenly had stopped the current of her veins, and she was deadly pale.

"Take me, take me!" cries she, stretching forth her arms, with a faint voice. "Take me, or I must fall," and slipping from her saddle she sank into his open, ready arms.

"Help!" says Mr. Godwin quickly and in terror.

"Nay," says she, "I am better. 'Tis nothing. But," adds she, smiling at him, "you may hold me yet a little longer."

The fervid look in his eyes as he gazed down at her sweet, pale face seemed to say, "Would I could hold you here forever, sweetheart!"

"Rest her here," says I, pointing to the little wall of the bridge, and he, complying not too willingly, withdrew his arm from her waist, with a sigh.

And now, the color coming back to her cheek, Moll turns to him and says:

"I thought you would have come again. And since one of us must ask to be forgiven, lo, here am I come to ask your pardon!"

"Why, what is there to pardon, madam?" says he.

"Only a girl's folly, which, unforgiven, must seem something worse."

"Your utmost folly," says he, "is to have been overkind to a poor painter, and if that be an offense 'tis my misfortune to be no more offended."

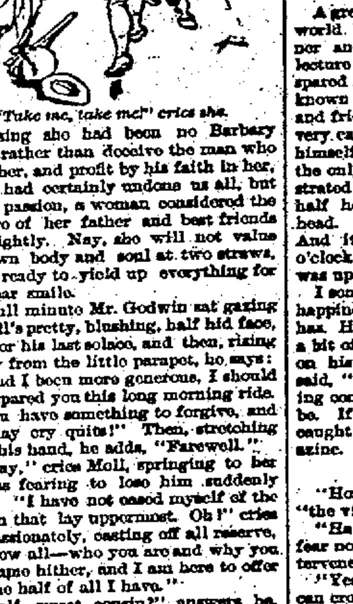
"Have I been overkind?" says Moll, abashed as having unwittingly passed the bounds of maiden modesty.

"As nature will be overbounteous in one season, strewing so many flowers in our path that we do underprize them till they are lost, and all the world seems stricken with wintry desolation."

"Yet, if I have said or done anything unbecoming to my sex"—

"Nothing womanly is unbecoming to a woman," returns he. "And, praised be God, some still live who have not learned to conceal their nature under a mask of fashion. If this be done less to your natural free disposition than to an ignorance of our enlightened modish arts, then could I find it in my heart to rejoice that you have lived a captive in Barbary."

They had been looking into each other's eyes with the delight of reading there the love that filled their hearts, but now Moll bent her head as if she could no longer bear that searching regard, and unable to make response to his pretty speech sat twining her fingers in her lap, silent, with pain and pleasure fluttering over her downcast face. And at this time I do think she was as near as may be on the point of



"Take me, take me!" cries she.

confessing she had been no Barbary slave, rather than deceive the man who loved her, and profit by his faith in her, which had certainly undone us all, but in her passion, a woman considered the welfare of her father and best friends very lightly. Nay, she will not value her own body and soul at two straws, but is ready to yield up everything for one dear smile.

A full minute Mr. Godwin sat gazing at Moll's pretty, blushing, half hid face, as if for his last solace, and then, rising slowly from the little parapet, he says:

"Had I been more generous, I should have spared you this long morning ride. So you have something to forgive, and we may cry quits!" Then, stretching forth his hand, he adds, "Farewell."

"Stay," cries Moll, springing to her feet, as fearing to lose him suddenly again. "I have not eased myself of the burden that lay uppermost. Oh!" cries she passionately, casting off all reserve, "I know all—who you are and why you first came hither, and I am here to offer you the half of all I have."

"Half, sweet cousin?" answers he, taking her two hands in his.

"Aye, for if I had not come to claim it all would have been yours by right, and 'tis no more than fair that, owing so much to fortune, I should offer you the half."

"Suppose that half will not suffice me, dear?" says he.

"Why, then I'll give you all," answers she, "houses, gardens—everything."

"Then what will you do, cos?"

"Go hence, as you were going but just now," answers she, trembling.

"Why, that's as if you took the diamond from its setting and left me nothing but the foil," says he. "Oh, I would order it another way. Give me the gem and let who will take what remains. Unless those little hands are mine to hold forever I will take nothing from them."

"They are thine, dear love," cries she in a transport, flinging them about his neck, "and my heart as well."

At this conjuncture I thought it advisable to steal softly away to the bend of the road, for surely any one coming this way by accident and finding them locked together thus in tender embrace on the king's highway would have fallen on to some gross conclusion, not understanding their circumstances, and so might have offended their delicacy by some rude jest. And I had not parted myself here a couple of minutes ere I spied a team of four stout horses coming over the brow of the hill, drawing the stage wagon behind them which plies betwixt Sevenoaks and London. This prompting me to a happy notion, I returned to the happy, smiling pair, who were now seated again upon the bridge, hand in hand, and says I:

"My dear friends—for so, sir, I think I may now count you, sir, as well as my Mistress Judith here—the wagon is coming down the hill, by which I had intended to go to London this morning upon some pressing business, and so, madam, if your cousin will take my horse and conduct you back to the coast I will profit by this occasion and bid you farewell for the present."

This proposal was received with evident satisfaction on their part, for there was clearly no further thought of parting. Only Moll, alarmed for the proprieties, did beg her lover to lift her on her horse instantly. Nevertheless when she was in her saddle they must linger yet, he to kiss her hands and she to bend down and yield her cheek to his lips, though the sound of the coming wagon was close at hand.

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AN EDITOR'S NIGHTMARE.

He Was Fifteen Years in Suppressing an Insistent Contributor.

The former editor of The Scotsman, when he retired to enjoy his well earned leisure, gave Alexander Russell this advice, "The conduct of a daily paper," he said, "is always a very serious thing, full of dangers and difficulties, but in addition to its usual anxieties you, my friend, will every night have to keep the most vigilant watch lest that man Hill Burton should contrive to insert his theory about Scotch cheeses into your columns."

It is not necessary to particularise what it was; it will suffice to say that this theory—based upon the exposure of Scotch cheeses in front of the shops, and the treatment to which they were consequently exposed—was not complimentary or likely to recommend them to the purchaser.

"Day and night," said Russell, "for 15 years, I never forgot my predecessor's warning. A hundred times that theory endeavored to gain admittance into my columns, and by most unlooked for channels; sometimes it lurked concealed in an article about the Crimean war, sometimes in one of the divorce cases, sometimes in one on the division of the Free church in Scotland, or even in the disruption itself; but it was always detected and struck out.

"It was a duel to the death, for I knew that Hill Burton would never relax his efforts to get his views upon Scotch cheese into print while there was breath in his body. On the morning of the last day of the fifteenth year he ran into my office waving a paper in his hand and crying out, 'It's in, it's in!'

"'What,' cried I, 'not in The Scotsman surely?'

"'No,' said he, 'in Chambers' "Information For the People."'

"My relief of mind is not to be described."—Pearson's Weekly.

Inequality in the World.

There is and there always has been inequality in the world in spite of the striving of generous hearts and enlightened minds for equality. Although equality has never ceased to show itself and effect itself within the different orders, and in modern times to characterise at least superficially that large composite order which we call good society, civilization is still embruited and endangered by inequality. One need not allege instances. They are abundant in every one's experience and observation, and those who dread or affect to dread the dead level of equality are quite right in saying that even in a political democracy there is as much inequality as anywhere. But this does not prove that they are right in admiring it that it is not offensive and stupid. Inequality still persists, but so does theft, so does murder, so does unchastity, so do almost all the sins and shames that ever were. Inequality is, in fact, the sum of them. In the body of this death they fester and corrupt forever. As long as we have inequality we shall have these sins and shames, which spring from it and which live on from inferior to superior. Few vices live from equal to equal, but the virtues flourish.—"Equality as the Basis of Good Society," by W. D. Howells in Century.

Hard Work and Huxley.

A great part of the work by which the world knows him was done after dinner and after a hard day's work in the lecture room and laboratory. He never spared himself. Often and often have I known him leave the circle of family and friends, of which he was the life, very early in the evening and betake himself to his library, a room of which the only luxury was books. If remonstrated with or appealed to for another half hour, he would only shake his head. There was something to be done. And it would be midnight or 1 or 2 o'clock before it was done, and then he was up at 7 in the morning.

I sometimes thought he had no higher happiness than work; perhaps nobody has. He would dine on a little soup and a bit of fish; more than that was a clog on his mind. "The great secret," he said, "is to preserve the power of working continuously 16 hours a day if need be. If you cannot do that, you may be caught out any time."—Scribner's Magazine.

The Drama.

"Horatio," whispered the heroine, "the villain still pursues us."

"Ha!" exclaimed the lover. "But fear not. Seest thou the ravine that intervenes between us and him?"

"Yes, Horatio—but the bridge. He can cross yon bridge at a bound."

"Fear not, I say. He has got to stop in the middle of the bridge and do a song and dance. Courage!"—Detroit Tribune.

A Story of Voltaire.

One day when D'Alembert and Condorcet were dining with Voltaire, they proposed to converse on atheism, but Voltaire stopped them at once. "Wait," said he, "till my servants have withdrawn. I do not wish to have my throat cut tonight."—G. B. Cheever.

The shawls of cashmere are made between Hindustan and Tibet, from the wool of the camel, while their sheep also produce fine white silky wool. The whole population is engaged in preparing the thread and weaving these articles for commerce.

During the days when armor was heaviest the cavalry was the slow moving army of the service, all movements requiring celerity being executed by infantry.

Stepniak on Russia's Czar.

In an interview with Stepniak, a report of which appears in Great Thoughts, he was asked his opinion of the new czar. "There was a time," he replied, "when Russian Liberals cherished a hope—I may say, indeed, a considerable degree of hope—but the new czar has disappointed every expectation of the most moderate among our progressive parties. He has shown himself utterly incapable of departing from the traditions of his predecessor, and will continue to play the ungrateful part of official screen to bureaucratic tyranny."—Westminster Gazette.

Straight to the Point.

"Now that we have married, Penelope, and have nothing to conceal from each other, how"—

"I'm 29, George. How much did you give the preacher?"—Chicago Tribune.

STOCK GAMBLERS.

They Know Nothing [illegible] Capital, the [illegible]

Two tape [illegible] street office as had been [illegible] after day, week after week [illegible] long years. The stock [illegible] reads quotations that bring [illegible] or sorrow to speculators, was [illegible] ly silent. The market [illegible] had had a sensational [illegible] o'clock the bulls had rallied [illegible] port and had bid up the [illegible] former level. The usual [illegible] breaks and quick selling [illegible] operators were trying to [illegible] thoughts either to guess the [illegible] the next move or to meditate [illegible] profits they might have made in the [illegible] changes had they followed the [illegible] each direction.

"George," remarked one of the [illegible] er, "you're a bear, aren't you?"

"Yes."

"Been a bear nine days out [illegible] haven't you?"

"Yes, I believe I have. [illegible]"

"Well, George, how [illegible] money in the [illegible]"

"No, Jack, I'm [illegible] ends, but, by the way, you've been a bull nine days out of every ten, and how much money have you made?" was the taunting reply.

A dejected look seized up [illegible] ly smile came to the trader's [illegible] was asked this question, and after a few moments' hesitation he said, "To tell the truth, George, I, too, am a heavy loser."

"Well, then, Jack, who got all the"—

"One hundred Paul at 78 [illegible]—Sugar is five-eighths," shouted the office boy, as the sharp click of the ticker printed the quotations.

"Buy me 100 Paul at the market," was one trader's order.

"Sell me 200 Sugar at three-quarters," was the other's.

The broker soon telephoned from the floor of the exchange that the orders had been executed, and his bookkeeper made a credit to brokerage account of $75 of the traders' money. Thus it is that in playing stocks, as in all gambling, the house slowly but surely gets the player's "pile."—New York Press.

A VERSATILE SPECIALIST.

There Was More Sorrow Than Humor in the Toastmaster's Introduction.

A certain local physician of [illegible] bearing and vast pretensions as to ethical observance journeyed forth very recently from his office on Broadway to attend a gathering at Chicago of a society of specialists.

The Cincinnati doctor was not a member of this society, but was not a bit reticent on this account. He is noted for his constant attendance upon the sessions of specialists of every class, whenever convened, and several months ago succeeded in stirring up quite a tempest in a St. Louis gathering.

So to Chicago he went. Planting himself at the hall, he was accorded by courtesy the privilege of sitting in the meetings. At once he began vigorously, yet steadily and systematically, "knocking" a member of the society who hails from Cincinnati. The resentment of the brethren against these tactics was general, and their revenge came at a dinner at the exclusive Chicago club, with which the proceedings closed.

The "outsider" from Cincinnati had been set down for a toast, and he had spent much time and care in formulating his supposably impromptu remarks. The suave toastmaster, rising benignly in his place, announced the speaker in a fashion that entirely upset the calculations of the aspiring medico and made him at once and forever the laughing stock of the society.

"Gentlemen," announced the toastmaster in his most insinuating tone, "I have now the pleasure and honor of presenting to you a gentleman of our profession who is not only able, but strikingly versatile. I beg to introduce Dr. B. Blink Blank of Cincinnati, who is widely known as a specialist in every known branch of medicine and surgery."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Gossip.

How frequently is the honesty and integrity of man disposed of by a smile or a shrug! How many good and generous actions have been shrunk into oblivion by a distrustful look, or stamped with the imputation of proceeding from bad motives, by a mysterious and seasonable whisper! Look into companies of those whose gentle natures should disarm them, we shall find no better account. How often does the reputation of a helpless creature bleed by a report—which the party who is at the pains to propagate it beholds with much pity and fellow feeling—that she is heartily sorry for it—hopes in God it is not true—however, as Archbishop Tillotson wittily observes upon it, is resolved in the meantime to give the report her pass, that at least it may have fair play to take its fortune in the world to be believed or not, according to the charity of those into whose hands it shall happen to fall.—Addison.

Hall Caine's [illegible]

At a dinner given by the Aldine club of New York to Hall Caine that gentleman said regarding the relations between Canada and the United States:

"The relations between Canada and the United States may sometimes be a little strained, but there seems, to an Englishman, to be no sufficient reason why two great nations should not live in friendly rivalry on this great continent. I came here, sir, by way of Niagara, where the river that divides your country from Canada looks angry and impassable enough. But I dare say you have noticed that in that watery horseshoe angle, where the breach between the two countries is widest, the sun can never shine on the clouds of vapor which rise out of those troubled waters without making a beautiful rainbow, which bridges land to land.

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Misery assails riches as lightning does the highest towers; or, as a tree that is heavy laden with fruit breaks its own boughs, so do riches destroy the virtue of their possessor.—Burton.

The Ideal Panacea.

James L. Francis, Alderman, Chicago says: "I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as an Ideal Panacea for Coughs, Colds and Lung Complaints, having used it in my family for the last five years, to the exclusion of physician's prescriptions or other preparations."

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce the name of W. F. Beckwith, of Farmers Valley, Pa., as a candidate for the office of supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus.

DEMOCRATIC journals are claiming that their prospects are looking up. When a man is flat on his back all he can do is to look up.

WILLIAM A. SHOEMAKER, the attorney in the Holmes case at Philadelphia, who presented the fraudulent certificate in court will be disbarred.

THE lumbermen who work in the pine forests of the Northwest are on a strike to have the wages of 1893 restored. What is the matter with the higher wages that were promised by the Democratic stump speakers in the presidential campaign of that year?

THE American *Economist* gives a good object lesson in last week's issue. The amount of woolen goods manufactured in Bradford, England, from September, 1893, to August, 1894, was $15,540, from August, 1894, to August, 1895, $1,672,270. How do the hands in the American woolen mills like this state of affairs? We are capturing the markets of the world, but it will prove a tartar.

IT is rather amusing to watch the Democratic journals throughout the country and see them striving to pick crumbs of comfort from the President's message. There does not seem to be any two alike in their views. Some are pleased over the money question, while others have a feeling of pleasure over the proposed retirement of the greenback; others feel happy over the President's position on our foreign relations; some feel good about the proposed bond issue, and some may even feel proud yet over our empty treasury, but none have had the hardihood to pronounce it an able and statesmanlike message.

HENRY WATTERSON, of the Louisville *Courier Journal* thus sums up the Democratic situation. There is nothing very inspiring in his synopsis for the unterrified but perhaps they can find consolation therein: "The Democracy of the country has reached the cross roads where it must determine whether it shall be a great national party with patriotic aims and unity of action, or whether it shall continue, as it now is, a loose aggregation of discordant fragments without any common bond of unity founded on a great national policy. It cannot exist in its present condition. It must advance, or it must recede; and if it shall fail to advance to a high standard of statesmanship by claiming a common faith in every section of the country, it must die and pass into history unregretted."

WOULD NOT BE SURPRISING.

Under existing circumstances it would not be a surprise to any one to see the leaders of Democracy advocating protection to our industries. When Thos. Reed was speaker of the House in the 51st Congress and established the rule of counting members present and not voting in order to secure a quorum, that business might be transacted, the howl that was set up by the members on the Democratic side of the house was enough to make nervous people think that the world was coming to an end. But before the session of the 53d Congress closed the Democratic majority in the house, although they numbered 89, were compelled to adopt Tom Reed's rules which they had denounced in the strongest terms to be found in the English language. So there would be no great surprise to any one to see the Democratic party taking up the cry of protection to our industries. Stranger things than this have happened in the history of the Democratic party. "Anything to beat the Republicans" and "Jacob" like they are none to good to steal "Esau's birthright" by assuming the habiliments of protection and stalking around striving to deceive the American voter in order to obtain control of the government again. You cannot trust them; like the proverbial weasel they are out of one hole and into another before you can wink your eye. Last year the President would not sign the Wilson-Gorman bill owing to the odious measures it contained, and denounced it as "Party perfidy and dishonor," and yet he allowed it to become a law. So keep your eyes on the unterrified and observe the lightning-like somersaults that will be exhibited on the circus board of national politics in that party in the next year.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9, 1895.—The meeting of the Republican National Committee to-morrow is attracting more attention in Washington this week than Congress. The reason is obvious. The Senate can transact little, if any, important business until the question of reorganization has been settled, and the House can do little until Speaker Reed announces the committees, while the National Committee will decide when and where the convention that will nominate the next president will be held. Delegations are here actively working for the six cities which are competing for the honor of entertaining the Convention. While the members of the committee are reticent on the subject the confidence of the Chicago contingent is such that nearly everybody who is not actively championing some other city seems to be of the opinion that the convention will be held in that city, and the belief is general that June will be the month.

Incidentally with the meeting of the National Committee a crowd of enthusiastic McKinleyites have descended upon Washington and opened head quarters for the purpose of pushing along the boom of Ohio's favorite son, which they consider not only a good thing but the best thing of its kind now on the road. They found plenty of sympathizers in Washington, as few men have more personal friends in Congress than Gov. McKinley, and few of those friends have warmer feelings for him than the big man—in every sense of the word—who presides over the House and who is one of his rivals for the presidential nomination. The two men worked side by side in the House for a long period and fully understand each other's worth, and, while neither would probably say as much for publication, it would be a good guess to say that each of them is the other's second choice for President; but it must not be inferred from such a guess that either would sulk should the National Convention in its assembled wisdom decide to nominate one of the other capable and popular gentlemen who have been mentioned. They are both Republicans of the tried and true kind, who always work their hardest for party success regardless of who may head the ticket.

For a man who lays claim to more than an average share of courage, Mr. Cleveland has a queer—not to put a worse construction upon it—way of acting. Although he knew that Congress and the country were deeply interested in the answer to the administration's request to know whether Great Britain intended to submit the Venezuelan boundary dispute to arbitration, and that the answer would be in Secretary Olney's hands on Saturday, he slunk off on a duck hunting trip, aboard of a Government Light-house tender, without even setting a time for his return, leaving Congress and the country to await his august pleasure before being permitted to see that answer, which is known to be unsatisfactory. He may not have been afraid to face the music raised by his unexpected stand in favor of the Monroe doctrine, but there are people who believe he is, and that he went away hoping that Congress would take the bit in its teeth, demand the correspondence of Secretary Olney, and dictate a reply to Lord Salisbury before he returned to Washington. That may be putting the case a little too strong, but there can be no doubt that Mr. Cleveland's absence at this time is disrespectful to Congress and to the American people and unjustifiable from any point of view.

While it is probable that the Republicans of the House will hold a caucus after the committees are announced before definitely deciding what shall be done to furnish the Treasury with the money which Mr. Cleveland would not ask for, although he and everybody else knows how badly it is needed, the expression of members make it practically certain that the money will be raised by increasing the tariff on a number of articles.

It is regarded as probable that the claims of the Western Senators for the chairmanships of the Senate committees which have to do exclusively with Western affairs will be almost if not entirely granted by the caucus committee of Republican Senators now engaged in selecting Republicans for for the vacant committee places; there are no believers of the silly story of an intended revolt on the part of Western Republicans.

In offering the resolution asking for all the correspondence in the Waller case, Representative Miller, of Kansas, was acting for the entire Congressional delegation of his State. This is the first step in the fight that is to be made in Congress to secure for Waller what the administration has failed to get for him—justice.

WHEN the national Republican committee met in Washington last Tuesday to decide where to hold the next Republican national convention, there was a spirited contest between the five cities claiming the favor, San Francisco, Chicago, Pittsburg, St. Louis and New York. New York had only one vote and dropped out of the contest on the first ballot. At the end of the battle St. Louis carried off the honors and on the 16th day of June next the convention will convene at the latter city, where the next President of the United States will be nominated.

A Welcome Usher of '96.

The beginning of the new year will have a welcome usher in the shape of a fresh Almanac, descriptive of the origin, nature and uses of the national tonic and alterative, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Combined with the descriptive matter will be found calendar and astronomical calculations absolutely reliable for correctness, statistics, illustrations, verses carefully selected, and other mental food highly profitable and entertaining. On this pamphlet, published and printed annually by The Hostetter Company, of Pittsburg, 60 hands are employed in the mechanical department alone. Eleven months are devoted to its preparation. It is procurable free, of druggists and country dealers everywhere, and is printed in English, German, French, Spanish, Welsh, Norwegian, Holland, Swedish and Bohemian.

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LITERARY NOTES.

Santa Claus is a bright this year, as usual, in the offices of the *Buffalo Illustrated Express*. Three sumptuous holiday numbers are to be issued by that popular journal, for the weeks of December 15th, 22d and 29th. The first is to have a stunning cover in three colors. The second, besides colored cover and other Christmas attractions, will contain the prize-winning photographs in the *Express* Amateur Camera contest. The third or New Year's *Express* will also be extra big and extra fine. It is evident that the *Illustrated Express* means to end the year in a blaze of glory. Certain it is no one can afford to miss these holiday issues of the *Express*.

McClure's Magazine for December contains the second installment of the new "Life of Lincoln," and is rich in picturesque details. There are also contributions by Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, Anthony Hope and Robert Barr; a Christmas story by Ella Higginson, and a bright travel sketch by Cy Warman, the engineer poet, who took the thousand mile ride on the engine of a "flyer."

In a dainty booklet, printed in light blue, salmon pink and gray tones,—a splendid illustration of the beauties of art applied to printing—the *Ladies' Home Journal* announces some of its leading literary and artistic features for 1896. Space will not permit of an extended notice, but the list of writers includes some of the very best. In the musical offerings the *Journal* will be unusually replete; artistically it gives rich promise. Artists of commanding prominence will contribute their finest drawings. The *Journal* for 1896, in fact, will be complete, and uniquely so.

The December number of "The Monthly Musical Gem" is replete with choice instrumental and vocal numbers, better than ever. Hitchcock Pub. House.

Store Loafers.

Storekeepers generally have use for all the space available in their respective establishments, and it is an imposition on their good nature for a man or a cluster of men to crowd themselves about the store or block in the doorway when the customers are waiting to be served.

The vile fumes of tobacco smoked or expectorated impart an unpleasant flavor to food products, particularly to teas, crackers, eggs and cereal goods, which readily absorb all disagreeable odors. This is one reason why the stock of the small retailer is frequently characterized as stale, dirty and unpalatable. A store should be kept neat and sweet, and as absolutely free from dust and vile smells as possible. Many grocers are so particularly about keeping their stock sweet and clean that they will not permit smoking in their stores under any circumstances, and they never close up for the night without satisfying themselves that the various storerooms are properly ventilated.

Get rid of store loafers, gently, if you can, but forcibly if you must. Don't tolerate them on your premises; their custom is not worth what it costs you in the loss of customers whose patronage is more desirable. Do not have too many easy chairs about the place; put the stove in a corner where too many people cannot crowd about it, and make your place so unsuitable for loafing that the idly inclined will find lounging places elsewhere.—*Grocers Criterion.*

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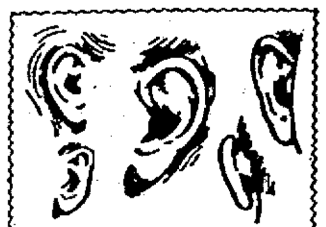

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Estate of L. W. Mason, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT LETTERS of administration upon the estate of L. W. Mason, late of Smethport, McKean county, Pa., deceased, have been granted by the Register of said county to Sheridan Gorton, of Smethport, McKean county, Pa. All persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment and all persons having claims against said estate will at once present the same.

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Guns and pistols at almost your own price at Mason's.

☞ Mrs. George Holly, of Olean, is stopping at the Grand Central for a few days doing hair dressing, manicuring and chiropidist work. Toilet articles and hair goods for sale. Hair bleaching and coloring a specialty. Please call.

Robes and blankets very cheap at Mason's. We defy competion.

☞ Lemmler is right in line with the finest of whips, blankets, trunks, valises and all kinds of light and heavy harness. Come and see the galloway cow robes. Prices away down.

A fine line of stoves and hollow ware at Mason's.

☞ See the new photographic paper weights at Gleason's. They are a new thing.

Acts at once, never fails, One Minute Cough Cure. A remedy for asthma, and that feverish condition which accompanies a severe cold. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. A. W. Colegrove.

Holiday Poultry

All poultry for the holidays will be sold for 12½c per pound. Neatly drawn and promptly delivered. [illegible]
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Laundry.

When you want good laundry work send your soiled linen to the Mt. Jewett Steam Laundry.

Also dying and cleaning work called for and delivered by the agent. Give him a trial. JNO. W. SANBORN, JR., Agent.

Nothing so distressing as a hacking cough. Nothing so foolish as to suffer from it. Nothing so dangerous if allowed to continue. One Minute Cough Cure gives immediate relief. A. W. Colegrove.

There are many good reasons why you should use One Minute Cure. There are no reasons why you should not, if in need of help. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. A. W. Colegrove.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Select your best men for borough and township officers.

Mr. Hall has some very fine buttermilk at the creamery yet.

Elmer Heath has erected a very fine barber pole at his shop on Main street.

—Services at St. Luke's church on Sunday, the 15th inst., at 7:30 and 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

A large crowd of skaters were out on Saturday last taking advantage of the smooth ice on the mill pond.

—M. L. Armstrong has gone into a new line of business. Last Monday he had a card out announcing "local snow and stationary."

—Why not have a public meeting to discuss the street light question?

—Editor Herrick, of the Ceres *Mail*, intends to add a folder to his printing press.

—W. A. Sheldon was locked up in Castle Walker Monday for nonpayment of costs.

—The round house of the B., B. & K. R. R. at this place has been receiving a new roof.

—The McKean County Sunday schools will hold a convention in Bradford June 23d and 24th, 1896.

—The MINER is under obligations to Major Isaac B. Brown, of the Department of Internal Affairs, for favors rendered.

—S. R. Dresser, of Bradford, was granted this week, through the agency of C. A. Snow & Co., a patent on a detachable coupling.

—That feed has taken a decided drop is evidenced by the prices which J. Colegrove quotes in his adv. in this issue. Be sure to read it.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Butler Strang, mother of ex-Senator B. B. Strang, of Westfield, Pa., died at her home on Nov. 21st last at the great age of 90 years.

—A good practical man as road commissioner or supervisor will show his work is backed up by good, hard common sense and excellent judgment.

—Brady & Carsaw, of Olean, call attention to the many holiday goods which can be found at their store in the Olean block in their new adv. this week.

—If there is anything in the line of holiday presents that you desire, and cannot find it in our advertising columns, you must be hard to please indeed.

—Harry Wells has his mammoth stock of Chistmas goods all unpacked and is now ready to have you call and inspect them. Read adv. on another page.

—Communion services will be held at the M. E. church on Sabbath morning. Presiding Elder Latimer, of Olean, will preach in the morning at the usual time.

—McCoy's drug store is a very attractive place to those who are in search of holiday goods. The stock comprises a great variety of useful and ornamental presents.

—D. C. Beattie, formerly of this place will soon reopen the Henderson House billiard room at Bradford. His many friends in this place will wish him success in his latest venture.

—F. G. Lindholm & Co. are showing an unusually fine line of Xmas goods Do not make your purchases until you have inspected their line. Read their holiday adv. in another column.

—LOST—A lady's gold watch somewhere between the residence of F. D. Cummings, on Willow street, and Mrs. Digel, on Water street. The finder will be rewarded by leaving the same at this office.

—We are pleased to note the prosperity of the Edinboro Normal. It is still one of the leading schools of the state. The people of Northwestern Pennsylvania ought to be proud of the school and do all possible to assist it.

—When the special train from Bradford came in about noon Monday it attracted considerable attention as the coaches presented a very fine appearance. Paint, varnish and new upholstering had made a wonderful change in their appearance.

—The East Smethport Racket Store is enjoying an unusually large trade these days. Mr. Stickels says it is owing to judicious advertising and selling goods for spot cash that does the business. When down that way drop in and inspect goods and prices.

—Burg Sheldon, of East Smethport, is a mighty hunter. On Saturday last he killed a large wildcat back of town hill, north of this place. It was a fine specimen and attracted a large crowd in front of Brownell's store, where it was on exhibition.

—Commodore Linderman has announced his name as candidate for city controller. Although we would very much like to see Mr. Linderman elected, yet his political education was sadly neglected in early youth, hence he does not stand much snow in a Republican city like Bradford.

—It is with pleasure that we mention the fact that the school directors of Keating township have purchased nineteen of Webster's Unabridged Dictionaries, including stands, one for each school in the township. This is a move in the right direction.

—A telephone message Sunday morning announced the destruction by fire of part of the famous Chamberlain Institution of learning at Randolph, N. Y., last Saturday night. The value of the burned building was $15,000, insurance $9,000. The building will undoubtedly soon be rebuilt.

—The many friends of "Jimmie" Major, formerly of this place, will be pleased to learn that he is rapidly rising to the front rank of cornet players. At the performance of "Wang" at Bradford Monday night he played that instrument with the orchestra, and it is unnecessary to say that he played his part in a creditable manner.

—We understand that some of the south-side people will "chip in" for a lamp to be put up somewhere between the Mechanic street bridges. This will light up one of the darkest streets in town, besides affording an opportunity for pedestrians to travel over one of the worst walks in town with less danger to life and limb.

—A charter was granted at Harrisburg last week to the Smethport & Olean Railroad Company, capital $100,000. The president is George J. Wolfe, of Bradford, who is also a director. The other directors are A. G. McComb, James George, H. A. Jackson, S. H. Smith and M. G. Rauh, all of Bradford. The line will be 18 miles long from Smethport to a point on the New York line in Eldred township, McKean county.

—Invitations are out announcing the wedding of Sheriff-elect E. M. Gillon, of Potter county, and Miss Anna Louise Neefe, both of Coudersport, which is to take place next Wednesday at the home of the bride. The popularity of Mr. Gillon was proven by his recent election to the office of sheriff by a large majority, while Miss Neefe is one of the most accomplished and highly esteemed young ladies in Coudersport. The MINER extends congratulations to the happy pair.

—Rex, son of Dis't Attorney Gorton, was quite severely injured while skating on Gifford's pond Monday night. He was skating at full speed and collided with Morris Hanley who was coming rapidly from the other side of the pond. In the darkness the boys did not see each other until it was too late. Rex's jaw was broken by the force of the collison and he was unconscious when picked up. Dr. Chadwick attended to his injuries. Morris was severely shaken up, but beyond a few bumps on his face escaped without injury.

—Read Mrs. Nash's holiday adv. on our first page.

—Mrs. D. D. Combs is reported to be lying very low.

—Brasted calls attention to his big line of nuts and candies on our second page.

—Word reached here yesterday noon that Mark Hardie, one of Mt. Alton's prominent citizens, had died at his home that day.

—Miss Myrtle Dodd, one of Ormsby's brightest young ladies, died there the first of the week of consumption, at the age of 23 years.

—The Boss Grocery is not making much of a bowl over Xmas goods, but if you'll step in you will be surprised at the many little things to be found there that will make acceptable gifts.

—Mrs. Sanborn is busily engaged in some beautiful panel flower painting for Christmas presents. Some of her excellent work was shown to a representative of the MINER, which clearly proved that she is an artist skilled in the work.

—George Kessler died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Haley, on lower Main street, last Monday night, at the advanced aged of 83 years. Funeral services at the M. E. Church. The remains were taken to Sullivan Co., N. Y., for interment.

—The handiwork of Santa Claus can be observed in most of our stores. The old gent is having a busy time of it these days in order to get everything in shape to please all the good little boys and girls, and even the eyes of some of the older ones glisten in anticipation of some present they hope to receive.

—A few evenings since a young lady was wending her way home along Mechanic street, and when she arrived at the crossing at Water street, it being intensely dark, she stepped off the crossing into a deep ditch, resulting in her being confined to the house for several days from the injuries received. Give us more light or cover up the ditches.

—Frank Anderson left on Tuesday for Coudersport, where he will open a shoe shop. During our brief acquaintance with the young man we have learned to regard him as capable and industrious, and feel confident that the people of Coudersport will find him a competent workman and one who will always be at his post of duty when needed. We wish him success in his new field of labor.

—Howorth's Hibernica and Blodgett & Hyde's Comedians fairly captivated a big audience at the Opera House Tuesday night. The panoramic views were artistic and the dioramic effects very realistic. All the artists in the "Comedy of Blunders" did good work, while "The Two Dans" were immensely funny.—Philmont, N. Y., *Times*, Nov. 8th, 1895. At the Kittredge Opera House Tuesday, Dec. 17.

—Last Thursday morning about 3 miles below Harrison Valley Ernest Allen accidentally shot and killed Mrs. Emma Allen by carelessly handling a loaded shot gun. The shot struck Mrs. Allen in the left check, blowing her tongue entirely out of her mouth and taking away the greater part of her face on the right side, killing her instantly. Ernest gave himself up. The unfortunate young lady was only about 18 years of age.

—The following is the remark of an observing visitor: "While making a visit to the county seat last week I was very much impressed by the large assortment of holiday goods kept by all the stores. This is a move in the right direction and shows your merchants are aware of the fact that they must keep up with the procession. While in town some time since several of the merchants were in doubt about handling holiday goods, but by the display shown now they are all up to date, and many a dollar is left in Smethport that would otherwise go to distant towns."

—The MINER takes pleasure in congratulating C. H. Donahue on his exoneration from the charges of which he was accused in open court. It is no small matter to be charged with the crime of embezzlement, but the jury bringing in a verdict of not guilty places Mr. Donahue right before the world, but it does not excuse the fact that he has been wrongly accused and a feeling that an act of injustice has been committed is apt to rankle in the mind of the defendant, and knowing Mr. Donahue as well as we do, we fear there is trouble a head for some who made themselves conspicuous in this last case.

—The *Republican* of Tuesday announces the death that morning of one of their most prominent and influential citizens, John S. Davis, of apoplexy, at the age of 52 years. The deceased was a veteran of the late war, and senior member of the firm of John S. Davis & Co. On Monday Mr. Davis was in his usual good health and attending to business. About 3 a. m. Tuesday a physician was called and at about 7 a. m. he expired. Up to 1891 Philadelphia had been his home, when he moved to Kane, where he has since resided. Thus Kane loses one of her best citizens and a thorough going business man. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity. The remains were taken to Philadelphia Wednesday evening for interment.

—In the hurly burly of the past two weeks, occasioned by the consolidation of newspaper properties and the subsequent consolidation knock-out, we overlooked the fact that the MINER and *Democrat*, the two excellent weekly papers published in Smethport, have commenced another year of usefulness. A distinguished characteristic of those two papers is the great amount of local matter their columns teem with. It is frequently remarked by newspaper men that the labor bestowed on their local columns is much greater than is usually given to county-seat papers. And it is this labor which makes the two papers exceptionally gratifying to their patrons. It is not surprising that they receive liberal patronage.—Kane *Republican*. Thanks for the kind words.

—There are some things in this world that are past finding out by the most skilled of the human family. Among the number is the verdict of a jury. Take the Mt. Jewett libel suit: if Tom McClellan was not guilty, as the jury said, why should he pay the costs? It leaves a man straddle of the fence, impaled there, as it were, and unable to get off on either side. There is no satisfacton in such a verdict. The juror takes an oath to conscientiously discharge his duty; to give a verdict in accordance with the evidence; the court instructs him to give the defendant the benefit of every doubt. The jurors sit and hear the case to the end, and then retire to deliberate. After a time they return to the court room and acquit the defendant, but put the costs on him, and say to the world that he is half guilty, thus leaving a stain upon him without any reason whatever. If he is sufficiently guilty to justify placing the costs upon him he is sufficiently guilty to be convicted of the crime charged. The jury system is rapidly becoming a farce and it will not be many years before people will get their eyes open to the fact that placing their lives, safety and property in the hands of a jury under our present system is not up to the nineteenth century. Even the Arabs are ahead of us in the matter of jury trials. They select the most intelligent men as jurors, those who are most conversant with the case in hand, while our counselors-at-law exercise their utmost ingenuity to secure a jury of men who do not read the papers and never heard of the case in hand. Away with the jury and have all cases tried before a court consisting of three judges learned in the law. It would be cheaper in the end and far more satisfactory.

Court Proceedings.

Criminal court convened last Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Judge Morrison on the bench. Grand jury called and sworn and D. W. Howard, of Sergeant township, made foreman. After an able charge by Judge Morrison the grand jury retired to their room, Constable Stull, of East Smethport, being placed in charge of same.

James Doyle, of Camp Halsey, had the school directors of Hamlin township arrested for malfeasance in office. Last winter Mr. Doyle furnished a room and provided fuel, and the directors hired a teacher for the school term. This winter he did likewise, but the directors refused, hence the arrest. We understand the board have agreed to school Mr. Doyle's children at Mt. Jewett.

Edgar C. Hubbard vs. Ellen Hubbard; petition in divorce. W. L. Lillibridge appointed commissioner to take testimony.

Minnie Daly vs. George Daly; petition in divorce. W. L. Lillibridge appointed commissioner to take testimony.

Sarah S. Perry vs. Edward R. Perry; alias subpoena in divorce granted.

C. H. Filkins vs. Clarabelle Filkins; petition in divorce. D. H. Jack appointed commissioner to take evidence.

Mary Green vs. Frank Green. Alias subpoena in divorce granted.

Louisa Williamson vs. Fred T. Williamson; petition in divorce. Subpoena awarded.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs. John Leonard; nol pros granted on payment of costs.

Com. vs. Chas. E. Hartle; motion for nol pros granted.

U. P. Collins was excused from serving as a grand juror.

Charles Hellem, John M. Dooklind, Philip Anderson and C. A. Anderson were sworn as citizens in open court.

The grand jury returned the following bills:

Com. vs. Tom McClellan; libel. A true bill.

Com. vs. Same; a true bill.

Com. vs. Wm. Barton; larceny. A true bill.

Com. vs. James Grundy; larceny. A true bill.

Com vs. Edward Murray; assault and battery. A true bill.

Com. vs. C. H. Service; selling liquor without license. A true bill.

Com. vs. Albert Baker; adultery. Not a true bill and prosecutor, Wm. Mentis, pay costs.

Com. vs. Clarence Mellander; gambling. Not a true bill and prosecutor, Tom McClellan, pay costs.

Com. vs. John Keating; selling liquor to minors. Not a true bill and the county pay the costs.

Brown & Brown vs. C. H. Donahue; embezzlement. A true bill.

Grand jury was discharged Wednesday morning.

The libel case of Thomas McClellan, of the Mt. Jewett *Herald*, brought by Clarence Mellander, was called Tuesday at 2 p. m. The case occupied the attention of the court the whole afternoon, while a large crowd sat through the whole trial very much interested in the legal battle between the giants of the law in McKean county, Cotter & Richmond for the prosecution and Mullin & Mullin for the defense. The Commonwealth offered in evidence the following article from the Mt. Jewett *Herald*:

"Clarence Mellander is running a poker joint in his vacant house on Railroad street. It is patronized principally by Gust Lundberg, Gust Peterson, John Blomquist and a number of lesser lights, all of whom are at a level that even 'the tiger' is a loser by the association, and were it not for other innocent sufferers it would be just as well to let them go unmolested. But unfortunately this is not the case. Lundberg has a wife and family and at present they are subsisting on potatoes and salt; the wife is sick in bed while he plays poker and blows in for booze the money that should be expended for bread and meat. Peterson is traveling about the same gait, but fortunately for his child the mother has strength and courage and is about to cut loose from her dead-beat husband and shuffle for herself. As for the remainder of the crowd nothing need be said."

The defense placed Nels Peterson on the stand to prove that Mellander did keep a gambling house at Mt. Jewett where poker was played. After exhaustive argument by counsel on both sides the court excluded the evidence. The counsel on both sides made able argument, the court gave an able and very impartial charge to the jury which then retired and brought in a verdict of not guilty but pay the costs.

The case of Wm. Barton, accused of larceny of a horse from M. T. Shurtz, of Port Allegany, was then called. According to the evidence Barton had driven a team from Roulette to Port Allegany; that he told Shurtz that the team was tired and that he desired a fresh horse to drive to Keating Summit, where he claimed he had another team that he was going to bring back. Barton drove Shurtz's rig to Lock Haven where he traded the horse for another and had ordered the buggy painted another color. Shurtz followed and had Barton arrested and brought here to jail. Jury brought in a verdict of guilty.

In the case of Edward Murray, of Bradford, who assaulted Wm. Dougherty with a bed slat some time ago, tried Tuesday, a verdict of guilty of assault and battery was returned.

Com. vs. James Grundy; larceny of a fur cap from M. T. Shurtz, of Port Allegany. Jury returned a verdict of guilty. The court was very lenient in this case, he being sentenced to pay a fine of $10, costs of prosecution, restore property and 60 days in the McKean county jail.

Com. vs. Albert Baker; continued until next term. Defendant to give bail in the sum of $200 conditioned for his appearance at next term.

Com. vs. Tom McClellan; defendant appears in open court and pleads guilty. Same day sentence suspended on payment of costs.

S. P. Ekstrom admitted to citizenship.

Com. vs. Clarence Mellander; motion for discharge of defendant granted.

William T. Hastings admitted to practice at the bar of McKean county.

Com. vs. Guy Moreland; bail in the sum of $200 conditioned for his appearance at next term.

Com. vs. C. H. Service; defendant pleads guilty. Sentence suspended by court. Defendant held in his own recognizance in the sum of $200 conditioned for his appearance next term.

The report of viewers of the road leading from Annin Creek road to the Mill creek road in Annin township. Report confirmed and the road ordered opened 40 feet wide.

Report of viewers of the road from the intersection of Sartwell and Annin creek roads to a large ironwood stump. Report confirmed and road ordered opened 30 feet wide.

Brown & Brown vs. C. H. Donahue; embezzlement. Verdict not guilty.

R. E. Mayo was appointed by the court to audit the accounts of prothonotary and recorder for the year 1895.

Death of Mrs. Mary A. Bogisch.

Died at her residence on Water street, in Smethport, on Monday evening, Dec. 9, 1895, Mrs. Mary A. Bogisch, in the seventieth year of her age.

The deceased was the eldest daughter of Paul E. Scull, who was a pioneer and one of the most respected citizens in McKean county. She was married in 1845 to Orman A. Holmes, a merchant of Smethport, who died in 1848. After this unhappy event she became a teacher in public schools until her marriage to Mr. Bogisch, about the year 1847, when they removed to Wisconsin, where he died in 18—. Since that time Mrs. B. has been a resident of Smethport, where has all her life been beloved.

She was well educated and possessed conversational abilities seldom equalled. Early in life she united with the M. E. church, and has ever been a consistent and faithful member. She leaves to survive and deeply mourn for her one sister, Miss S. A. Scull, (known to our people as Millie) who is assistant principal of the Mt. Vernon Seminary at Washington, D. C. The whole community will sorrow for the departed and her place cannot easily be filled.

Another Potter Co. Shooting.

Word reached here last week of the attempted murder and robbery of Norman Bump, on Tuesday of last week, at Ulysses, Pa. Mr. Bump had been down to the village and had several checks cashed and had freely exhibited his money, to the amount of $40. A little before 9 o'clock he started for his home, a mile south of the village. When about half way, near the top of the hill, without a moment's warning he received a charge of shot in his left side and neck. He ran to his brother's house, saying he had seen a man about 50 feet away in the woods with a gun. The tracks were followed and a young man named Chilson was arrested and lodged in jail at Coudersport. Chilson pleads innocence and able to prove an alibi, but time and trial may prove otherwise. Chilson has had trouble before, but not of such a serious character.

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL NOTES.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at this office.

Tom Clark came over from Austin Monday.

Bert Shook had business in Buffalo last week.

Att'y H. S. Rogers was down from Mt. Jewett this week.

Rev. J. H. McCandless returned from Pittsburg to-day.

S. S. Washburn called briefly at this office Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Mullin, of Bradford, came over Monday.

H. Burnham, of Eldred, paid a brief visit to the hub Monday.

Warley Gifford returned home from Philadelphia last Saturday.

Emil Thamm was in Ormsby on a business mission Tuesday.

H. Schoby, of Corydon, was attending court during the week.

Judge J. H. Sandstrom, of Warren, came over Wednesday night.

Gilbert Moody was a very pleasant caller early Monday morning.

C. W. Catlin, of Port Allegany, was a pleasant caller Tuesday.

L. Cushing, of Larrabee, came up on the early train last Monday.

Att'y R. B. Stone, of Bradford, was a pleasant caller yesterday.

R. C. Loet, of Spring Mills, N. Y., was a very pleasant caller yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Donahue, of Ormsby, were in town part of the week.

John Forrest transacted business in Buffalo the latter part of last week.

Mrs. James A. McKean spent a few days with friends at Ormsby this week.

A. Melander and E. F. McMahon, of Mt. Jewett, were in town on business last Saturday.

C. S. King, John Shurtz and M. T. Shurtz, of Port Allegany, were in attendance at court.

Dwight Waller, of Eldred, was holding down a chair in the grand jury room during the week.

T. B. Clark was over Monday greeting his many friends and made the MINER office a pleasant call.

Herman Tull brought a fine lot of home grown whiskers down from Ormsby the first of the week.

Prof. Wilson goes to Eldred on Monday next giving "an hour with the ballad" in the M. E. church.

Mont Shoemaker, of State Line Mills, was in town this week shaking hands with his many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Baldwin, of Austin, came over Saturday night. Mr. Baldwin attended court.

P. D. Hopkins went over to Bradford on Tuesday night. While there he visited Tuna Lodge I. O. O. F.

Prof. John E. Chadwick left Friday last for Butler on a business mission. He will be absent two weeks.

C. W. Dickinson and son, Burdette, and T. M. Mattison, of Norwich called at the MINER office last Saturday.

Editor McClellan, of the Mt. Jewett "Herald," and his esteemed better half, visited the hub last Saturday night.

D. W. Howard, of Instanter, who acted as foreman of the grand jury was a pleasant caller at the MINER office Wednesday.

There was a young man down from Ormsby last Sunday. We tried to Seemore of him, but could not owing to the misty hue of the atmosphere.

J. H. Herriman and W. J. Voorhees are at work at Lafayette lathing and plastering E. H. Newton's house and store. They are having lots of work these days.

W. H. Dodd, of Eldred, was in town Thursday morning. Will is making preparation to go to the Dew Drop gold mines in Colorado where he has an interest.

Last Wednesday morning our latchstring was pulled by J. H. McQuade, now of Kenton, West Virginia, formerly of Farmers Valley. Mr. McQuade has been down in the lower oil country for over two years and was up to his old home to remove his family to West Virginia. McKean county will lose a good citizen, which is to be regretted.

Local Teacher's Institute.

Institute called to order at East Smethport at 10:30 by the chairman, Mr. Duntly. Devotional Exercises were conducted by Rev. J. W. Sanborn after which Grace Gifford followed with a recitation. Mr. Thos. James read a paper on "Grammar," which was good. Sup't Eckels gave a talk on "How to Conduct Devotional Exercises in the Schools." The subject was open for debate Messrs Sanborn and James participating. Recitations were then given by Howard and Myrtle Thomas. Institute adjourned to meet at 1.30.

Afternoon session opened by singing "Home, Sweet Home." Recitations were given by Frank Allen and Bennie Hyde. Prof. Geo. Kirkland gave a talk on "Philosophy of Teaching" followed by a recitation by Crystal Wormer. Miss Nellie Roberts recited a patriotic selection entitled "The Ensign Bearer" which was well done. Miss Jessie Stellwell read an excellent paper on "Geography" at the close of which an interesting discussion was participated in by nearly all the teachers present. A short intermission followed. A paper prepared by Mrs. Lemmler on "Object Teaching" was read by Miss Burch, a discussion following. The subject of "Vertical Writing vs. Slant" was participated in by a number of teachers, Misses Allen and Trelton advocating the vertical system while the slant was well championed by Messrs. Duntly and James. "Music in the Schools" was also talked upon. Institute then adjourned sine die. Taken as a whole the institute was a decided success and it is to be regretted that all the teachers of the township were not in attendance.

Prof. Kirkland, Misses Rose Allen and Adda Burch were among the teachers who attended. Miss Dunn made a good secretary and Mr. Duntly a good chairman.

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Class in Flower Painting.

By request Mrs. J. W. Sanborn, of Smethport, has decided to take a limited number of pupils in the art of oil painting. The class about to be formed will receive instructions in flower painting. Classes may be formed later in landscape and figure paining. Persons wishing to join the class please confer with Mrs. Sanborn. 49-tf

Notice to Taxpayers.

Notice is hereby given that all taxes in Smethport borough for 1895, remaining unpaid on Dec. 25th, will be charged 5 per cent. additional. J. C. GALLUP,
Smethport, Dec. 12, '95 Collector.

Musical Instruction.

H. Cumberland Wilson is open to receive pupils in voice culture, organ, piano and theory. Office in Backus building.

—Houseworth, the optician will be here next Thursday Dec. 10.

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AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

CLERMONT.

The dance at the opera house was a grand success on Friday last.

Mrs. Mame Shugrow's new hotel is nearly completed. This will add very much to the necessaries of the town.

George Rudolph, our tailor, has added to his already large establishment so that he may be better prepared to accommodate his many costumers. This goes to show that he is prospering.

Our school marms gave a dance at the opera on Monday eve last, which was very much enjoyed by all who attended.

W. P. Mulhern, our genial station agent claims he is getting tired of living a widower's life and is longing for the return of his better half, who is visiting friends in Buffalo and other places and does not expect to return until the holidays. One would naturally have thought different if they saw him swinging those school marms at the dance the other night.

The skating rink is doing a rushing business these days.

Smethport has quite an attraction for the Clermont people this week.

R. K. Golding, of the MINER, had business in town on Tuesday last.

County Superintendent W. P. Eckels called on our school directors on Tuesday last.

L. Steinhauer had business at Crosby on Wednesday last.

Mrs. S. P. Beckwith, of Farmers Valley, was calling on her daughter, Mrs. F. B. Steinhauer last week.

D. W. Howard is serving as grand juror or this week.

J. H. Peterson has bought a building lot on which he expects to build a house in the early spring. That is right. John. Now is the time to buy them. You are sure of your first choice in the location.

We were pleased to see our old friend John Kelts the other day. He informed us that he will begin work in the mines here on Monday next. One by one our old residents return to Clermont.

"O, where, O, where has that little dog gone?" Perhaps the boys at the station can tell.

Born, Dec. 10th, to Mr. and Mrs. James Maloney, a pair of twins, boy and girl. Mother and babies are doing well.

Election of Officers.

At the regular meeting of McKean Post, No. 347, held in Backus Hall, Thursday evening, Dec. 5, 1895, the following officers were elected to serve for the year 1896:

Com., J. Colegrove; S. V. C., J. Porter Howard; J. V. C., E. R. Mayo; Chap., T. A. Morrison; Q. M., B. F. Wright; Surgeon, Wm. Caskey; O. D., S. G. Bush; O. G., C. S. Sandford; Ord. Serg't, N. F. Ferris; Trustees, H. M. Choate, H. L. Burlingame, S. G. Bush.

Installation of officers Thursday, Jan. 2, 1896, when all comrades are requested to be present.

H. L. BURLINGAME,
Adjutant.

W. R. C.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year at a meeting of the W. R. C., No. 21: Pres., Mrs. R. Kerns; S. V. Pres., Mrs. J. Sowers; J. V. Pres., Mrs. Nina Rumsey; Treas., Mrs. Sarah Vickrey; Sec., Mrs Rose Pierce; Chap., Mrs. Eaton; Con., Mrs. J. Pratt; Ass't Con., Mrs. Chambers; Guard, Mrs. McDermot; Ass't Guard, Mrs. Badger; Installing Officer, Mrs. Morrison; Delegate to Convention, Mrs. Wright; Alternate, Mrs. L. Chambers; Delegate for Memorial Home Convention, Mrs. L. Chambers.

SMETHPORT HOSE CO.

At a meeting of the Smethport Hose company No. 1, last Friday night the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Foreman, James McGuire; 1st Ass't, Samuel Ramer; 2nd Ass't, S. B. Sartwell; Pres., T. F. Richmond; V. Pres., William McCammon; Sec., F. D. Gallup; Treas., M. L. Armstrong; Tms., J. H. Belver, Frank Kerns and S. S. Fry.

A Reunion.

Thanksgiving day was the occasion of a very pleasant reunion at the residence of John A. Monks at Strokesdale where over 40 relatives of the Cole family were again reunited, many of them not having met for a period of 35 years. Three persons present were eighty years of age, but despite their eighty years they drove their horses a distance of ten and fifteen miles through the frosty morning air and seemed to enjoy the ride over hills and through valleys as much as in younger days. There were many glad meetings and each tried to make the day a pleasant one and we venture to say a happier day is seldom enjoyed than this one.

Agreeable conversation, singing, accompanied with excellent music, passed away several hours and then such a bountiful dinner. One would suppose hard times never reached Strokesdale.

Too much credit cannot be given for the entertainment presented by Mr. Monks and family on that occasion, neither was it forgotten to return thanks to the Giver of all our blessings. Grace was said, prayer was offered and an appropriate selection for the occasion was led by Miss Monks and as the sun cast its lingering rays as though unwilling to refuse to shine longer on a picture of so much happiness we bade each other goodbye hoping if not all reunited on earth again to be bidden to the great reunion above.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Bush, of East Smethport, were present, Mrs. Bush being a relative and her early home being in Tioga Co. They extended their visit among relatives and friends through different parts of Tioga Co. and have just returned home.

Christmas and New Year Holiday Rates via Pennsylvania Railroad.

For the Christmas and New Year Holidays the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will place on sale excursion tickets between stations on its system east of and including Pittsburg and Erie and west of Elizabeth and Sea Grit (except between the cities of Philadelphia and Trenton proper) at reduced rates. The tickets will be sold and good during December 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 31, 1895, and January 1, 1896, and will be good for return passage until January 7, 1896, inclusive.

St. Luke's Church.

The following music will be rendered at St. Luke's church on Sunday:

A. M.—Processional, "Hark: the glad sound," Wilson; Venite, Gregorian; Benedicite, Field; Benedictus, Gregorian; Anthem, "Lift thine eyes," (trio from Elijah) Mendelssohn; Retrocessional, "Brief Life."

P. M.—Vesper service in A, by Goss; Anthem, "The great day of the Lord," Martin.

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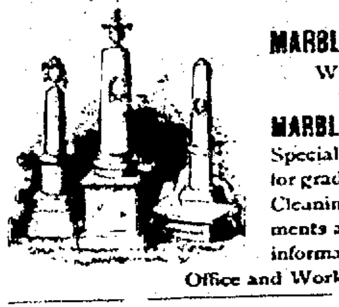

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"What made you stop then?" inquired the boy.

"We ran into a stone wall," replied the old man promptly.

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HARDY, NOVELIST.

SHORT SKETCH OF A SUCCESSFUL MAN OF LITERATURE.

How He Abandoned Architecture For Story Writing—The Greenwood Incident Shows That There Is Sometimes Something In a Name.

Much has been said and written about Thomas Hardy's work, but very little indeed is generally known of the man himself. An obvious reason is the novelist's dislike of personalities, his shrinking from public curiosity, and the simple, serene—almost mediæval—tone of nature that dominates him.

As a young man he proposed to follow architecture as a profession and studied with diligence. He went into the office of the well known architect, Sir Arthur Blomfield, A. R. A., in London. While equipping himself for his future career, he used his spare moments in writing a novel that he called "Desperate Remedies." This book, after several refusals, at last found a publisher, but it did Hardy no more good than harm. Meantime, following his architectural work, he carried out his first commission—naturally a modest one, as young architects are not usually intrusted with cathedrals. Although his maiden effort in letters had met with comparative failure, his zeal was unabated, for he immediately wrote "Under the Greenwood Tree."

At the time this book appeared Frederick Greenwood, now the distinguished student of European policies, edited The Cornhill Magazine. It is a habit with Mr. Greenwood occasionally to "prowl" about old bookstalls. Looking over a basketful of cheap books all thrown together, he chanced to light upon "Under the Greenwood Tree." For the sake of its name he picked it up, paying a few pence for it. The able editor saw at a glance that there was genius in that neglected and discarded work, and, finding out Hardy, then in his thirty-first year, he commissioned him to write a novel for The Cornhill. It was then that Hardy, forced by circumstances as well as impelled by his love for letters, abandoned architecture, and, throwing himself into his work with perfect singleness of purpose, wrote "Far From the Madding Crowd," a book that now stands with a few others among the lasting literature achievements of this century.

Though he is neither listless nor languid, Hardy's appearance is that of a man who has lately recovered from an illness. His cheeks are slightly sunken and his skin is sallow, speaking of sedentary labors, the midnight lamp and of a constitution that could not support the sustained strain of an arduous task. Yet his eyes tell another tale and possess that phosphorescent light that indicates energy. The solution of these contradictory marks must be that he is mentally as robust as he is physically delicate, or it may be that the strong mind has sometimes to struggle against the drooping of the body.

Hardy is neither tall nor commanding in stature. His manner is free from nervousness, showiness or excessive movement; indeed, a tranquil, thoughtful spirit is characteristic of him, and there is nothing in his presence that is strong enough to intimate the quality of his mind. The most that can be said is that his face is exceedingly keen and clever. His bronzed hair, now tinged with gray and brushed back, is becoming thin. His slender mustache adds point to his finely modeled features. Although spare in type, his shoulders are broad and give him the appearance of being larger than he is when he is seen sitting down.

As is the case with many English writers, Hardy lives in the country and goes to London once every year for a few weeks to brush away the cobwebs by contact with men who keep the rust from their steel and the tarnish from their silver. Hardy's quiet home is not far away from the pretty little town of Dorchester, in Dorsetshire, his native county.

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The particular piece of ground he wanted was part of a large tract belonging to a land company of which the Prince of Wales was president. Though the prince did not know Hardy personally, he greatly admired his work. On one occasion the directors of the land company met, the prince presiding, and when the report was read Mr. Hardy's application for a few acres of the company's land was alluded to, but merely incidentally, with the remark that it would, of course, have to be declined. The prince said: "What Hardy is it? Not the author?" "Yes; Thomas Hardy," was the reply. "Then why not let him have the few acres?" said the prince. "He would not have asked had he not set his heart on the spot. Yes; let him have them."—Cor. Boston Transcript.

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IN A TURKISH HAREM.

There Are Women Old and Young, Tall and Wrinkled.

An account of the visit I paid to the zenana or harem of a Mohammedan nawab in a native state may not be without interest.

A carriage and mounted escort of soldiers were sent at 8 o'clock one morning to convey us to the castle. A gate in the immense walls of the compound led us into the ill kept gardens. Passing from these into the courtyard and through long colonnades and untidy passages, we were conducted finally into the zenana. A large and lofty room, with walls on three sides and a colonnade opening on to a courtyard, was the apartment in which we were received. Chairs were brought for our accommodation, but with the exception of the matting on the floor the place was without furniture.

Women, some young and tall, others old and wrinkled, passed and repassed while we waited for the begum to appear. They were all dressed in the same fashion. Trousers of light colored damasks or satin clothed them from the waist. These pantaloons were baggy above, but so close fitting from the knee downward that they have to be sewed up after they are on. They are unsewed and removed once a week for the bath. A short bodice, reaching just below the breast, is worn, and then round the body and over the shoulders and head is wound the sari of muslin or silk, which falls in graceful folds from the hips and shoulders. The begum kept us waiting, and we were told the reason was that she was putting on all her jewels to do us honor.

Presently she came in—a small, young woman, with an oval, immobile face and smooth, black hair. She wore tight trousers of a rich green damask and a sari of cloth of gold. On her bare ankles were anklets of uncut emeralds and diamonds, said to be worth 40,000 rupees. On her arms were a large number of jeweled bangles and armlets, on her fingers rings of beautiful rubies and diamonds. Round her neck were strings of fine pearls, and, suspended by studs of large diamonds in the outer rims of the ears, she wore across the hair at the back of the head pearls, emeralds and rubies, prettily set as a kind of collarette. The ears were pierced in several places to allow rings and jewels to be inserted, and in the nose a small diamond was worn. The little jeweled lady did not speak English, and after we had admired her jewelry conversation soon came to an end.

Her wee baby was brought in dressed in colored silk, with a gold laced cap on its little bald head. The nawab joined us, and there was much lively chat over the subject of our visit to the state. In such a zenana the most rigorous seclusion of the wives is enforced—wives, I say, for in this zenana the begum was the chief and the only wife and was married the day after the death of the first begum.—London Queen.

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"The devil kindly obliged by appearing on the spot, accepted the contract and sat down to the work, and next morning 'The Devil's Code' was finished, the monk being found dead. The copying clerk from the infernal regions presumably fled away with the poor man's soul as soon as the wicked compact was finished."—Pearson's Weekly.

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8:25 a. m.—Train 8, daily except Sunday, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:23 p. m., New York 9:23 p. m., Baltimore 6:15 p. m., Washington, 7:30 p. m. Pullman Parlor car [illegible] from Williamsport and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia.

3:20 p. m.—Train 6, daily except Sunday, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 4:30 a. m., New York 7:33 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

9:30 p. m.—Train 4, daily, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia 6:52 a. m., New York 9:33 a. m., [illegible] Baltimore [illegible] a. m., Washington 7:40 a. m. Pullman [illegible] cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia, and Williamsport to Baltimore. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Harrisburg.

WESTWARD.

5:00 a. m.—Train 1, daily except Sunday, for Ridgway, DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations, leaves Ridgway 3:00 p. m. for Erie.

10:25 a. m.—Train 3, daily, for Erie and intermediate stations.

7:55 p. m.—Train 11, daily except Sunday, for Kane and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS for EMPORIUM JUNCTION FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Train 1 leaves New York 6:50 a. m., daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Jct. [illegible]

Train 11 leaves Philadelphia 8:50 a. m., Washington 7:50 a. m., Baltimore 8:25 a. m., Wilkesbarre 10:15 a. m., daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Junction 7:35 p. m. with Pullman Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport and passenger coaches to Kane.

Train 3, leaves New York 8:00 p. m., Philadelphia 11:20 p. m., Washington 10:40 p. m., Baltimore 11:50 p. m., daily arriving at Emporium Junc. 10:25 a. m., with Pullman sleeping cars from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie.

JOHNSONBURG RAILROAD.

(Daily except Sunday.)

NORTH. STATIONS. SOUTH.

A. M. | P. M. Ar. ... Ridgway ... [illegible]

9:25 ... Johnsonburg ... [illegible]

10:02 ... Glen Hazel ... [illegible]

10:12 ... Straight ... [illegible]

10:2[illegible] ... Instanter ... [illegible]

10:3[illegible] ... Smith's Run ... [illegible]

10:32 ... Wendell ... [illegible]

10:50 ... Clermont ... [illegible]

Connections are made with trains at Johnsonburg at [illegible] for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at [illegible], also at Ridgway with trains leaving Ridgway at 3:45 p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

S. M. PREVOST, J. R. WOOD,

General Manager. Gen'l Passenger Agt.

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LEAVE BRADFORD—EAST BOUND.

7:45 a. m.—Buffalo & Rochester Express for Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Orchard, Buffalo, Machias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, LeRoy and Rochester.

2:40 p. m.—Mail—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden, Buffalo, Machias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, LeRoy and Rochester.

5:10 p. m.—Buffalo Express—Daily. For Limestone, Carrollton, Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden and Buffalo.

LEAVE MT. JEWETT—SOUTH BOUND.

8:02 a. m.—Accommodation—For Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

[illegible] p. m.—Mail—For Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

Thousand Mile Tickets, good for passage between all stations, at two cents per mile.

Passengers are requested to purchase tickets before entering the cars. An excess charge of TEN CENTS will be collected by Conductors when fares are paid on trains, from all stations where a Ticket Office is maintained.

For time tables and full information call on or address any of the Company's agents or

D. LENNERGAN, Agent Bradford, Pa.

EDWARD C. LAPEY, [illegible]

R. G. MATTHEWS, Gen'l Passenger Agent, Gen'l Superintendent, Rochester, N. Y.

W. [illegible] Rochester, N. Y.

BUFFALO & SUSQUEHANNA R. R.

TIME TABLE.

Took effect Monday, July 6th, 1896.

1	2	3	STATIONS.	2	4	6
a m	p m	a m	Ar. Dp.	a m	p m	p m
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Keating	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cowley June.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Austin	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Costello	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Wharton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Logue	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Hull	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cross Fork Jc	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Germania	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Galeton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Gaines	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Ansonia	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

H. Hutchinson, C. W. Goodyear,

Train Master, Gen'l Manager.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY R. R.

Time Table, takes effect Monday, Nov. [illegible] 1895.

AR. EASTW'D. STATIONS. LV. WEST'WD.

A. M.	P. M.	STATIONS.	A. M.	P. M.
[illegible]	[illegible]	Port Allegany	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Burtville	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Perkins	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Newfield Junc't	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gold	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Raymond's	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Seven Bridg's	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Colesburg	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Frink's	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Coudersport	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Hammond	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fish Basket	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Olmsted	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Mina	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Knowlton	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Roulette	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Burtville	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Coleman	[illegible]	[illegible]

PINE CREEK DIVISION.

	STATIONS.	
[illegible]	Coudersport	[illegible]
	Fair Grounds	
[illegible]	Ladona	[illegible]
[illegible]	Sweden Valley	[illegible]

Trains run on eastern standard time.

B. A. McCLURE, Supt.

Bradford, Bordell and Kinzua R. R. Co.

Direct lines between Bradford, Kane and the [illegible] county oil field.

TIME TABLE IN EFFECT [illegible]

WESTWARD. EASTWARD.

p.m.	a.m.	STATIONS.		
[illegible]	[illegible]	ar. Bradford lv.	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Tarport	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Kinzua Junct'n	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	McCalmont	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bew City	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bradford	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Aiken	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Davis	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Simpson	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	McKean	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ormsby	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Smethport	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	(P. & W. R'y)	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	ar. Ormsby Junct'n	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Mt. Jewett	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Kane	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Spring Creek	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Sheffield Junct'n	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Marienville	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Tylersburg	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Clarion	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Foxburg	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Butler	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Allegheny	[illegible]	[illegible]

JNO. C. McKENNA, Superintendent.

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